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**Maiden Trip.**

The new knockabout ssch. Aspinet, Capt. Brigham, of Portland, is at Boston today with a big maiden trip, 33,000 pounds of fresh fish.

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**VERY SUCCESSFUL.****Bankers Make Big Cod Catches Off Rose Blanche, N. F.****Several of the Gloucester Fleet Share in Good Fortune.**

The Halifax Chronical of Friday says: "The codfishery at Rose Blanche and Channel, Nfld., this spring has so far proven one of the most successful in years. There are no less than 36 sail engaged in the industry at the above places, not to speak of the numerous small craft. Included in the fleet are a number of American vessels, including sch. Arkona, Capt. Newman Warton; sch. Athlete, Capt. LeRoy Spinney; sch. H. M. Nickerson, Capt. Rudolph; Arcadia, Capt. Keefe, and sch. Massachusetts, Capt. Carroll. The latter is only "fletching," and up to Monday had made several settings.

For the past several days bad weather prevailed, but nevertheless the catch is phenomenal. A week ago Capt. Wharton has 57 tubs or about 114 quintals, the result of one set. Capt. Thomas Bond, of Stone's Cove, Fortune Bay, N. F., arrived home Sunday with a 900 catch of dry quintals. This makes Capt. Bond highliner of the Newfoundland fleet.

The three schooners owned by Hollet Bros. of Burin are also home, sch. Alameda with 600, sch. Australis, 500 and sch. Bohemia 400 quintals. Kearly Bros., of Belloram, have four new vessels at the home port, every one of them averaging from 600 to 700 quintals.

It is estimated that the fish caught last week alone would realize nearly \$100,000. The small craft engaged in the industry have averaged per craft of three fishermen about 280 quintals each.

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**DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.****Today's Arrivals and Receipts.**

Sch Vera, Georges, 13,000 lbs. salt cod, 4000 lbs. fresh fish, 2500 lbs. halibut  
Sch. Hattie L. Trask, Georges, 3000 lbs. salt cod, 600 lbs. halibut.  
Sch. Teazer, Brown's bank, 70,000 lbs. fresh cod, 2500 lbs. halibut.

**Today's Fish Market.**

Bank halibut, 11 cts. per lb. for white and 9 cts. for gray.

Newfoundland frozen herring, for bait, \$2 to \$3 per hundred weight.

Splitting prices, large fresh cod, \$2 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.50; haddock, \$1.00; hake, 90 cts; cusk, \$1.50; pollock, 75 cts.

**Boston.**

Sch. Joseph P. Johnson, 3000 haddock, 7000 cod.  
Sch. Genesta, 8000 haddock.  
Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, 1000 haddock, 7000 cod.

Sch. Lochinvar, 1000 cod, 10,000 hake, 5000 cusk.

Sch. Flavilla, 8000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, 8000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Viking, 600 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Aspinet, 7000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 3000 hake, 3000 cusk.

Sch. Mettacomet, 14,000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Pontiac, 26,000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Mary B. Green, 2000 haddock, 1000 cod, 5000 hake, 2000 cusk.

Sch. Klondike, 1100 haddock, 700 cod.

Sch. Motor, 8000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Reliance, 1600 cod.

Sch. Mabel Bryson, 1200 haddock, 4000 cod.

Sch. Mary E. Sennett, 8500 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Laura Enos, 5000 cod.

Sch. Georgianna, 4000 cod.

Sch. Minerva, 3500 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Dart, 3000 cod.

Sch. Wodan, 1000 cod.

Sch. Morning Star, 8000 cod.

Sch. Olivia Sears, 4000 cod.

Sch. Dixie, 500 haddock, 9500 cod.

Sch. Marion, 6000 cod.

Sch. Two Sisters, 3000 cod.

Sch. E. A. Hooper, 1500 cod.

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Sch. Lillian, 2500 haddock, 5000 cod.  
Sch. Matchless, 20,000 haddock, 10,000 cod.

Sch. E. C. Hussey, 8000 cod.  
Sch. A. B. Watson, 6000 haddock, 3000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Catherine and Ellen, 50,000 haddock, 20,000 cod.

Haddock, \$3 to \$4.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$3 to \$5; market cod, \$2 to \$3; hake, \$3.50 to \$6.50; cusk, \$2 to \$3; pollock, \$3.50.

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**LOUISBURG LETTER.****American Bankers There Report Rough Weather and Poor Fishing.**

A letter to the Times from its Louisburg, C. B., correspondent, dated April 15, states that the first American bankers to come there this season were schs. Maggie and May and Orinoco, which harbored there last week. When the letter was written, sch. Orinoco was still in port, sch. Maggie and May having sailed the previous day. Both vessels were in from the Peak and reported a great deal of bad weather and poor fishing.

The weather at Louisburg during April has been the worst that even the oldest inhabitant remembers. One of the fiercest snow storms of the season came April 1 and it had snowed on every day since excepting three.

There is a heavy body of ice off Scatteri, but the fishermen are in hopes that it will not hold on very late.

A company, known as the Louisburg Fishing Company, will begin operations there this summer and have purchased the Lunenburg sch. Speculator and will send her salt banking.

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**BAD FOR SEINERS.****No Trips Have Been Brought in for Two Weeks.****Bad Weather Seriously Hampering Work of the Fleet.**

It is now two weeks lacking a day since any of the southern mackerel fleet has been reported in port with a fare.

It is known that the fleet has been up against unusually bad weather for this time of the year and has been unable to fish, thus putting quite a damper on a season that had started in with a rush and promised much.

The light might have also bothered, but the "darks" are now on; so that good weather is what is really needed, for from all reports, quite a lot of fish has been seen.

The vessels have stayed out well and harbored but little, all hoping for a let-up in the wind and a chance to get a school.

Quite a number of fares were landed during this corresponding week last year, but it was not until after May 1 that the southern seiners got in their best licks. A year ago today eight big trips were at New York, selling at 25 cents for large and 7 cents for mediums, and three small fares at Fortress Monroe.

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**Lunenburg Fishing Notes.**

During the past week some dozen or more vessels have sailed on codfishing trips from Lunenburg, N. S., so that the season at this time is rather a busy one in fishing circles.

Several vessels from the inshore fishing grounds have arrived at that port, whose catches make quite a large aggregation. In addition to the above some half dozen new vessels are about completed and in a few days will be launched and fitted out for the bank codfishery.

Last week two vessels cleared from Lunenburg with full cargoes of about 5000 quintals of cured codfish for West Indian markets.

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**BIG MONTH'S WORK.****Crew of Little Sch. Mettacomet Shares \$255.**

A share of \$255 a man for the past month is the record of the crew of sch. Mettacomet, Capt. Charles Nickerson, one of the little schooners of the market fleet. This is remarkable work.

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**DID NOT CARE FOR OUR FLAG.****Newfoundland Officials Took Captains Forcibly Ashore.****LETTER GIVES PARTICULARS.****Cpts. Spinney and Rudolph Write Home of Recent Outrage.**

The following letter has been received by the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co., from Cpts. Spinney and Rudolph of the salt banking schs. Athlete and Harry A. Nickerson, and gives the particulars of their arrest by the Newfoundland authorities recently for violating the local fishery regulations.

From a reading of the letter it is evident the Newfoundland officials care little for the American flag and those under it; indeed they said they did not care for it and forcibly took the two captains ashore.

Channel, Port aux Basques,

April 7, 1908.

"Dear Sir:—We shall try and let you know how they are using us here. The first we knew we were served with an summons to appear before the court to answer to a charge of fishing off Channel. Well, we felt pretty safe, as we understood, without reserve, that we could fish where we liked off the treaty coast.

We then sent a telegram to Gloucester stating our troubles, and waited until Monday morning. Not getting an answer, we undertook to leave the port. (This means Port aux Basques, which is just across the harbor from Channel.)

"So we ignored the summons and got underway, but the wind was light and the ice was coming in. We came very near losing both our vessels, so we were both obliged to return for the benefit of all concerned."

"Clayton (Capt. Morrissey of the sch. Arethusa) got out a little ahead of us, and we do not know where he is. The last we saw of him he was in the ice and close to the rocks.

"Well, we did not go into court, so we ignored the summons and staid aboard our vessels, but the magistrate issued a warrant to take our bodies.

"So when we saw them coming we ran up the American flag and forbade them coming on the vessel's deck, but they said they did not care for the flag.

"As we did not want any row, we did not use force to prevent them coming aboard the vessel. They took us forcibly from the vessel, put us into a boat, and we were taken ashore and hurried into the magistrate's rooms.

"They gave us a kind of trial, but would not allow us to have anything to say. The magistrate fined us \$100 and costs of court of two months in jail.

"We at first refused to pay the fine, so were thrust in jail. We asked them why they did not seize our vessels, but they said they did not want the vessels; all they wanted was our bodies.

"Had we not received a telegram from Gloucester that the fines would be paid we were going to lay our two months in jail, which would have left the vessels without captains here for two months.

"We do not consider we were at fault in any particular, as we had explicit instructions that we could fish on the treaty coast anywhere. There is plenty of fish, but we have been so humbugged that the ice has come in and jammed us so that we cannot get out at all, on account of the officials detaining us.

"Now about the consul here. He is not fit to represent a Newfoundland dog. He refused to help us at all. He is a pretty thing to represent the U. S. government. When we asked him to help us he said he had something else to do and would not bother.

"It is no use. We have been served bad. We claim it is a disgrace to all concerned. What could we do in defense? All we could do was to take our medicine. It is a disgrace to the United States to have a consul here like him and to be used like we were on the treaty coast where we thought we had a right to fish.

"Now the ice has jammed us in here, and the probabilities are that we shall lose our baitings, which means 100,000 pounds of fish to us, because we would not have been caught in the ice fields if it had not been for this business, for now the harbor is full of ice and it is impossible for us to move, and there are other places we could have fished if we were not compelled to stay here.



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"Hoping that the American government will take such steps toward the Newfoundland government which will make our losses good. Very respectfully, yours in trouble, (Signed) "Leroy Spinney."  
"Sch. Athlete."  
"Charles Rudolph."  
"Sch. Harry A. Nickerson."

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## DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Elma E. Gray, via Boston, 200,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Margie Smith, Maine coast.

### Today's Fish Market.

Bank halibut, 11 cts. per lb. for white and 9 cts. for gray.  
Newfoundland frozen herring, for bait, \$2 to \$3 per hundred weight.  
Splitting prices, large fresh cod, \$2 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.50; haddock, \$1.00; hake, 90 cts; cusk, \$1.50; pollock, 75 cts.

### Boston.

Sch. Nokomis, 2000 haddock, 14,000 cod.  
Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 19,000 cod.  
Sch. Yankee, 1000 haddock, 15,000 cod.  
Sch. Flora S. Nickerson, 15,000 haddock, 10,000 cod.  
Sch. Emily Cooney, 23,000 haddock, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Albert Geiger, 1000 haddock, 10,000 cod.  
Sch. Elmer E. Gray, 35,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 2000 cusk.  
Sch. Dorothy, 7000 cod.  
Haddock, \$5 to \$6.25 per cwt.; large cod, \$4.50 to \$5; market cod, \$4.

### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Margaret arrived and cleared from Liverpool, N. S., on Saturday.  
Sch. Admiral Dewey, Capt. James Hayes, bound on a far north flitted halibut trip, arrived at Halifax on Saturday.

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## FISH ARE SCARCE.

### Fresh Halibut Is Practically Out of The Market.

There is scarcity of several kinds of fish at T wharf which are most in demand just now. There have been no fresh mackerel for more than a week, and bluefish have been running very short, and now halibut is practically out of the market. None have been received from the west for some time as the storms have been as bad on the Pacific as on the Atlantic coast, and the small quantity brought in by the fishermen from Georges does not amount to enough to fill the orders of any one of the firms. On the Yarmouth steamer there were yesterday morning 115 crates, 21 barrels and one box of live lobsters.

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## REMARKABLE PRICE.

### Three Barrels of Fresh Mackerel at New York Today

### Fish Brought Fancy Figure of 75 Cents Each.

A special despatch to the Times this forenoon states that a few of the net fishermen at Holly Beach, on the Jersey coast, tried their luck Tuesday night and caught three barrels of bloater mackerel.

The fish arrived at Fulton Market, New York, this morning, one barrel being consigned to Chesboro Bros. and two to Wilson & Barry, and they sold for the remarkable price of 75 cents apiece.

This is believed to be the highest price ever paid for any number of fresh mackerel, although there have been instances where a single fish has sold for a dollar.

All hands in Fulton market are now looking forward to tomorrow with the expectation of some of the fleet arriving, as last night's weather was fine and condition favorable for fishing. Some of the dealers are expecting to see somebody in today with a trip.

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### Fish Receipts.

The Bureau of Fisheries report that for the month of March, 3,356,381 pounds of fresh fish valued at \$71,491 and 241,024 pounds of salt fish valued at \$8944 were landed at this port and 6,146,100 pounds of fresh fish valued at \$224,008 landed at Boston.

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## DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Gasoline launch Merry Widow, shore, 2300 lbs. fresh fish.

### Vessels Sailed.

### Today's Fish Market.

Bank halibut, 11 cts. per lb. for white and 9 cts. for gray.  
Newfoundland frozen herring, for bait, \$2 to \$3 per hundred weight.  
Splitting prices, large fresh cod, \$2 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.50; haddock, \$1.00; hake, 90 cts; cusk, \$1.50; pollock, 75 cts.

### Boston.

Sch. Crescent, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Magnolia, 2300 cod.  
Sch. Pearl, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Mertis H. Perry, 4000 haddock, 1200 cod, 1000 hake.  
Sch. Flavilla, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Mary T. Fallon, 10,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 2000 hake.  
Sch. Blanche F. Irving, 7000 cod.  
Sch. Margaret Dillon, 12,000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Rita A. Viator, 4000 haddock, 1800 cod.  
Sch. Manomet, 9000 cod.  
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 5000 haddock 2000 cod.  
Sch. Seaconnet, 6000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 cusk.  
Sch. Barbara, 1200 cod.  
Sch. Vesta, 3000 cod.  
Sch. Nettie, 2000 haddock.  
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, 4500 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Eva Avina, 7000 cod.  
Sch. Ignatius Enos, 7000 cod.  
Haddock, \$5 to \$5.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$3 to \$3.50; market cod, \$3 to \$4; cusk, \$3.25; hake, \$3 to \$6.

### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Capt. Fred Nunan will now take command of sch. Viking.

Capt. Frank Nolan will now command sch. Actor in the southern mackerel netting fishery.

Sch. Illinois will fit for seining under command of Capt. Joseph Lyle.

Sch. Judique of this port, bound on a salt cod fishing trip, arrived at Louisburg, C. B., on Monday, and cleared for the fishing ground.

The British sch. Yukon was at Halifax on Monday with 3000 pounds of halibut, 8000 pounds of salt haddock and 1000 quintals of salt cod.

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## LEADS THE FLEET.

### Crew of Sch. Pontiac Now Hold T Wharf Record.

### They Have Shared \$818 Each Since September 25, 1907.

Capt. Enos Nickerson and crew of the knockabout fishing sch. Pontiac believe in making hay while the sun shines, as they have repeatedly demonstrated their ability in securing good catches and making quick trips into T wharf since the 25th of last September. Capt. Nickerson, since that date, has made the biggest stock of any fisherman out of the fish pier, and each of the 16 men received \$818 as their for work performed since that time.

The Pontiac came in Tuesday after a quick trip of less than three days, for which they shared \$40 a man.

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### FEW MACKEREL.

### Five Barrels at New York To-day Brought Fancy Figure.

The first mackerel of the season in these waters was taken in one of the Cape Cod traps on Wednesday and reached T wharf, Boston, yesterday, where E. A. Rich & Co., had it on exhibition. It weighed three pounds.

Five barrels of bloater fresh mackerel reached Fulton market, New York, this morning, having been sent up from the netters and trappers at Holly Beach. They sold for 65 cents each.

## BIG WORK.

### Crew of Sch. Emily Cooney Shared \$20 Per Day.

With a \$1500 catch to show for three days fishing, Capt. Patrick Murphy brought the schooner Emily Cooney to T wharf yesterday and claimed the record. In two sets of trawls the vessel landed 23,000 pounds of haddock and 2000 of cod. Each man of the crew will get \$60 for the three days.

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## HARD TO BEAT.

### Sch. Emily Cooney's Stock of \$1617 on Three Days' Trip.

The stock and share of sch. Emily Cooney, Capt. Patrick Murphy, which left here Sunday night and was in Boston Wednesday with 25,000 pounds of fresh fish, taken in two sets, on the shore grounds, was even larger than first supposed, being \$1617 for the stock and \$65 clear for the share. This is a hard shore trip to beat.

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### Appointed Bait Agent.

Mr. William McDonald, the well known bait man, has been appointed agent here for the Boothbay Ice Co. of Boothbay Harbor, Maine. The headquarters of the company are at the office of Frank R. Neal & Co., T wharf, Boston, and Boothbay Harbor.

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### Bait.

The Boothbay Bait and Ice Co. baited sch. Mystery and one other at Maple Juice, Maine coast, yesterday.

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### Bait News.

The Boothbay Ice and Bait Co. had 200 barrels of bait this morning, at Boothbay Harbor, Me.

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### Boston.

Sch. Marion, 2200 cod.  
Sch. Hattie F. Knowlton, 3000 cod.  
Sch. E. D. Brown, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Two Sisters, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Uncle Sam, 1200 haddock, 800 cod.  
Sch. Bessie and Mary, 2500 cod.  
Sch. Sylvia M. Nunan, 1000 haddock, 3000 cod, 3000 cusk.  
Sch. Louisa R. Silva, 5000 haddock, 3000 cod, 9000 hake.  
Sch. Pontiac, 3500 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Edith Silveria, 6000 haddock, 500 cod.  
Sch. Ida S. Brooks, 2000 haddock.  
Sch. Rebecca, 3000 haddock, 800 cod, 5000 hake.  
Sch. Mattakesett, 4000 haddock, 4000 cod, 2000 hake.  
Sch. Flora J. Sears, 4000 haddock, 500 cod.  
Sch. Lewis Warren, 1100 haddock, 1200 cod.  
Sch. Juliette, 1400 haddock.  
Sch. Betsy Ross, 1400 cod.  
Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, 5000 haddock, 5000 cod, 2000 hake, 5000 cusk.  
Sch. Mettacommet, 3500 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Ida M. Silva, 2000 haddock, 500 cod.  
Haddock, \$3.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$3.50; market cod, \$3.50; hake, \$2 to \$5; cusk, \$2.

### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Benjamin A. Smith was at Southwest Harbor a few days ago and shipped 12,000 pounds of fresh pollock to market.

Sch. Ella M. Goodwin was at Shelburne, N. S., on Monday.

Sch. Mabel D. Hines was at Canso, N. S., Tuesday.

Sch. Onato, was at Liverpool, N. S., Tuesday.

Sch. Senator harbored at Port Mulgrave, N. S., on Tuesday, during a very heavy snowstorm.

Sch. Aspinet is on Burnham's railways.

Sch. Vera and sloop Maxwell are on the Rocky Neck railways.